

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph that begins on page 3, line 9, with the following paragraph:

Local administration of therapeutic agents via stents has shown ~~some~~ favorable results in reducing restenosis. However, there is a great need for better and more effective coatings for ~~the~~ local drug delivery.

Please replace the paragraph that begins on page 4, line ~~6~~⁵, with the following paragraph:

A medical article comprising an implantable substrate having a coating is provided[[,]]; the coating includes phosphoryl choline or polyaspirin.

Please replace the paragraph that begins on page 4, line ~~8~~⁷, with the following paragraph:

A method for fabricating a medical article is provided[[, the]]. The method includes applying a coating ~~on to~~ at least a portion of an implantable substrate, the coating including an ABA or an AB block copolymer, wherein one of the moieties in the block copolymer produces a biological response and the other moiety provides the block copolymer with structural functionality.

Please replace the paragraph that begins on page 5, line 15, with the following paragraph:

"Fast release" is defined as *in vivo* release of substantially the entire amount of the drug from the stent coating in less than 15 days, for example, within 7 to 14 days. "Slow release" is defined as *in vivo* release of substantially the entire amount of the drug from the stent coating in 15 days or longer, for example, within 15 to 56 days.

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